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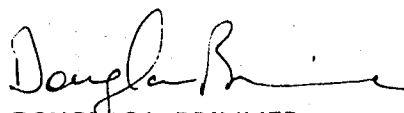
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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SOLDIERS AT FORT CARSON

SUBJECT: Right of Soldiers to Present Complaints or Request Assistance from the Inspector General (IG)

1. All soldiers have the right to present complaints, grievances or requests for assistance to the IG. These may include what a soldier reasonably believes to be evidence of fraud, waste or abuse.
2. Before visiting the IG, you should consider whether your concerns/issues can be addressed more quickly and simply by referring them to your chain of command first. Note: You do not have to present your concerns to your chain of command before visiting the IG, but it is recommended. You should first obtain permission to be absent from your place of duty if you wish to visit the IG during normal duty hours. You do not have to tell anyone why you want to visit the IG.
3. You may visit, call or write your local IG at:

Agency Name: Fort Carson Inspector General's Office
Location: Building #1659
Address: 1675 Barkeley Ave. Suite #1, Fort Carson, CO 80913
Telephone: 526-3900/3901
4. If you believe that your local IG response is not fair, complete, or IAW Army policy/regulation or law then you may contact the FORSCOM IG at (404) 464-4427 or DSN 367-4400. You may also call the Department of the Army IG or the DoD Hotline. The numbers are as follows: DAIG: 1-800-752-9474 or DSN 225-1578; IG DoD: 1-800-424-9098 or DSN 223-5080.
5. Department of the Army personnel are prohibited from taking any action that restricts you from filing a complaint, seeking assistance or cooperating with the IG. They are also prohibited from taking disciplinary or adverse action against you for filing a complaint, seeking assistance, or cooperating with the IG. However, if you lie or knowingly make false accusations to the IG, you are subject to disciplinary action.
6. Per AR 20-1, paragraph 1-11, the IG has a duty to protect confidentiality to the maximum extent possible. This is particularly true when it is specifically requested, or persons who ask the IG for help, makes a complaint, give evidence, contact or assist an IG during an inspection or investigation, or otherwise interact with an IG.



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